GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4477
ANSWERED ON:18.12.2002
FOREIGN VISITS OF OFFICIALS
S. SAIDUZZAMAN

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of officials of his Ministry who visited foreign countries for official purposes during each of the last two years;

(b) the purpose of their visit and the amount spent thereon;

(c) the details of norms for selection of these officials for official foreign tours;

(d) whether some complaints had been received regarding abuse of power by the officials involved in the selection process;

(e) if so, the details of the complaints received; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to adopt a transparent selection process?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJOR GENERAL (RETD KHANDURI]

(a) & (b): Details are annexed.

(c) to (f): Selection of officials for the foreign tours was made having regard to the nature of trainings/meetings/seminars and suitability of officials with regard to their experience as also the relevance and utility of the trainings/meetings/seminars to this Ministry. Selections are transparent and no complaints have been received.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) AND (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4477 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.12.2002 ASKED BY SHRI SAIDUZZAMA REGARDING FOREIGN VISITS OF OFFICIALS.

DETAILS OF FOREIGN VISITS OF OFFICIALS DURING THE PERIOD COMMENCING WITH 1.6.2001, THE DATE ON WHICH THE OFFICIALS OF THE ERSTWHILE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT WERE ALLOCATED TO THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

Sl.No.	Name & Designation	Period	Country	Amount of Expenditure	Purpose
1.	Shri R.K. Sharma Suptd. Engineer DA 375 US $ Rs.109500/- (air fare)	28th May to 1st June,2001	U.K.	Regn. Fee 1850 Pound	To attend training course on Innovation in Road Management.
2.	Shri T.B. Banerjee Suptd. Engineer	11-15th June, 2001	-do-	-do-	-do-
3.	Shri Indu Prakash Chief Engineer	18-22nd June, 2001	-do-	-do-	-do-
4.	Shri A.K. Yadav Suptd. Engineer DA 375 US $ Rs.109500/-	25-29th June, 2001	U.K.	Regn. Fee 1600 Pound	Training Programme on Management of Appropriate Technology in Road Sector for

(air fare) developing emerging
Economy.

5. Shri K.C. Verkeyachan 3-13th U.K. Regn. Fee - do -
Suptd. Engineer July, 2001 3200 Pound
DA 600 US $
Rs.109500/-
(air fare)

6. Shri Rajiv Sharma Expert Group Meeting
Deputy Secretary for preparation of the
and 23-25th Indonesia + Ministerial Conference
July,2001 on Infrastructure

7 Shri Nirmaljit Singh Development in Asia
Chief Engineer and Pacific Region.

8. Shri Alok Rawat 2.8.2001 Nepal Rs.9,844/- Bilateral Talks between
Joint Secretary to 4.8.2001 India and Nepal -
Delegation led by
Commerce Secretary.

9. Shri A.V. Sinha 8-10th Philippines Rs.1,52,101/- To negotiate with ADB
Chief Engineer Augt,2001 to seek ADB Assistance
for Western Transport
Corridor Project.

10. Shri Ashoke Joshi Senior Officials Meeting
Secretary for Ministerial
and 12-14th South Rs.1,54,243/- Conference on Transport,
11. Shri A.V. Sinha Nov. 2001 Korea Communication & Tourism
Chief Engineer Infrastructure
Development in Asia and
Pacific Region.
12. Shri A.N. Dhadopkar
Suptd. Engineer Regn. Fee To participate in the
and 28th Oct.to USA 7600 US $ first International
13. Shri N.S. Jain 2 Nov.2001 DA 750 US $ Seminar on Asset
Suptd. Engineer Rs.2,60,000/- Management.
(air fare)

14. Shri P.K. Chakrabarti
Chief Engineer To negotiate with ADB
and 11-14th Philippines Rs.51,092/- to seek ADB Assistance
15. Shri A.P.S. Sethi Nov. 2001 for West Bengal Corridor
Suptd. Engineer Development Project.

16. Shri Alok Rawat
Joint Secretary Regulation of Motor
and 29.4.2002 Nepal Rs.72,945/- Vehicular Traffic
17. Shri Vivek Ashish to 2.5.2002 between India and Nepal.
Section Officer

18. Shri S.K. Mishra 2.6.2002 to Nigeria @@ To study Automobile
Director 7.6.2002 Industry of Nigeria.

19. Shri V. Velayuthan Regn. Fee To participate in the
Chief Engineer 12600 US $ Seminar on Contract
and 4-17th USA DA 18.75 US Maintenance.
20. Shri Ashok Wassan Aug,2002 $ per day Per
Suptd. Engineer Head Rs.2,90,000
(air fare)

21.	Shri N.K. Sinha DG(RD)&SS	9-13th Sept.2002	Australia	Rs.2,11,000/-	To attend the Conference on Better Built Environment.
22.	Shri A.P. Bahadur Chief Engineer	15-21st Sept. 2002	USA DA 75 US $ per day Rs.1,45,000/- (air fare)	Regn.Fee 4100 US $	To participate in the 2nd Annual Asset Management Seminar.
23.	Shri P.K. Sarangi Private Secretary to MOS(IC),RT&H	14-18th Oct,2002	USA Debit Note is awaited from Embassy of India, USA		To attend 9th World Congress on Intelligent Transport System - Delegation led by MOS(IC), RT&H.
24.	Shri Alok Rawat Joint Secretary	22.10.2002 to 26.10.2002	Philippines	Rs.9,104/-	To attend the meeting of Japan Automobile Standards Internation-alization Center.
25.	Shri A.P. Bahadur Chief Engineer	23-28th Oct,2002	Philippines	Rs.67,466/-	To attend Loan Negotiations with ADB for East-West Corridor Project and MP State Road Dev. Project.
26.	Shri S.B. Basu Chief Engineer	13-15th Nov. 2002	Thailand	Rs.9,140/-	To attend 4th Session of Transport, Communication & Tourism Infrastructure Development in Asia and Pacific Region.
27.	Shri S.B. Basu Chief Engineer	2-4th Dec,2002	Myanmar	Rs.50,000/-	To attend Task Force Meetings on Trilateral Highway Project in Myanmar.

+ = Expenditure in respect of Sl.No.6 & 7 met by UN ESCAP
@@ = Expenditure in respect of Sl.No.18 met by ADB